

Proposition 5 shortens parole for methamphetamine dealers and other drug felons from 3 years -- to just 6 months.

That's why Proposition 5 has been called the "Drug Dealers Bill of Rights."

But the damage Proposition 5 will cause to our schools and neighborhoods doesn't just end with making life easier for dope peddlers. This dangerous measure could also provide, in effect, a "get-out-of-jail-free" card to many of those accused of child abuse, domestic violence, mortgage fraud, identity theft, insurance fraud, auto theft and a host of other crimes, letting them effectively escape criminal prosecution.

Proposition 5 even provides a way to avoid prosecution for those accused of killing innocent victims while driving under the influence -- just one of the reasons it is strongly opposed by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

California law enforcement, including our police chiefs and county prosecutors overwhelmingly oppose Proposition 5 because they know it is just a veiled attempt to dramatically slash parole time for convicted drug criminals -- including dealers caught with up to \$50,000 of meth.

Proposition 5 also establishes two new bureaucracies with virtually no accountability, and which will cost hundreds of millions in taxpayer dollars. The social costs, however, of increased drug crimes, domestic violence, identity theft and consumer fraud will be incalculable.

Proposition 5 weakens drug rehabilitation programs by allowing defendants to continue using drugs while in rehab. These weakened programs would be funded by draining money away from the real treatment programs that actually do work.

Proponents want you to believe this is about keeping "non-violent offenders" out of prison, but according to Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley, "No first-time offender arrested in California solely for drug possession goes to prison -- ever."

The real beneficiaries of Proposition 5 are the violent criminals who can escape prosecution for their violent acts by claiming they weren't responsible -- "the meth made me do it."

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Law enforcement professionals across California are bracing for the wave of felons that will be unleashed on our communities when parole for convicted meth dealers is slashed from three years to just six months, and when the deterrent for identity theft, domestic violence and child abuse is reduced.

We simply cannot afford the massive havoc this measure will wreak on our families, schools and neighborhoods.

Please join with bi-partisan leaders representing victims' groups, medical professionals, peace officers and district attorneys, as well as, business, labor and community leaders in rejecting this dangerously flawed initiative.

Protect our neighborhoods from violent crime. Vote "NO" on Proposition 5.

To read the facts, visit www.NoOnProposition5.com

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